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# 20 National Food Waste 24 Summit







# ENDING FOOD WASTE STARTS WITH ALL OF US

# 2024 MELBOURNE SUMMIT SUMMIT SPEAKERS INTERNATIONAL FOOD



Kaitlin Dawson Executive Director, NZ Champions 12.3



**Dr. Lisa Johnson** On-farm food loss expert & consultant, US



Dana Gunders Executive Director, ReFED, US (Virtual)



Jolanda Dings Director Sustainability External Relations, Lab Weston EMEA



Toine Timmermans Program Manager, Sustainable Food Chains, Wageningen University & Research Netherlands

# **SUMMIT SPEAKERS**



**Costa Georgiadis** ABC Gardening Australia (MC)



**Dr Steven Lapidge** CEO, End Food Waste Australia



**Craig Reucassel** Host ABC War on Waste (Keynote)



**Brianna Casey** CEO Foodbank Australia



**Phoebe Dowling** Head of Global Food Sustainability, Simplot Australia



Dr Mark Boulet Senior Research Fellow, BehaviourWorks Australia, Monash Sustainable Development Institute.



**Dr lan Opperman** Co-Founder, ServiceGen



**Boris Munster** Managing Director, Tetra Pak

MORE SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON



**Edwina Beveridge** Owner, Blantyre Farms

#### 9:00AM Welcome Address

Costa Georgiadis (Master of Ceremonies), Host, ABC Gardening Australia Welcome to Country John Webster, Chair, End Food Waste Australia The Hon. Tanya Plibersek MP (Virtual), Federal Minister for the Environment and Water

#### 9:25AM Can we really end food waste? And why can't we afford not to.

Dr Steven Lapidge, CEO, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Brianna Casey, CEO, Foodbank Australia Dana Gunders, Executive Director, ReFED, USA. Toine Timmermans, Director End Food Waste Australia & Sustainable Food Chain, Wageningen University & Research, Netherlands.

We are standing at the midway point of Australia's food waste action, 6 years on from the launch of the National Food Waste Strategy and 6 years to go to the 2030 target. Hear from an esteemed lineup of speakers exploring the people, planet and economics of food waste action globally. Each will share the scale of opportunity, what's moved the dial on food waste reduction, and what's needed as we move towards 2030.

#### 10:45AM Upcycled Morning Tea

#### 11:15AM Keynote Address - Is the consumer war on waste winning?

#### Craig Reucassel, Host, ABC War on Waste.

Following two seasons of War on Waste, Craig Reucassel has tuned millions of Australians into the growing concerns around waste. Craig explores how to attract the hearts and minds of consumers to reduce their food waste and how everyday Australians feel and react, emotionally and with their wallets,

#### 12:45PM Networking Lunch

# 12:00PM Measured & Managed: Australian Food Pact reporting imforming impactful industry action.

Nick Cork, Interim Head of the Australian Food Pact, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Hayley Borissow, Sustainability & Decarbonisation Manager, Sodexo Australia Helen Szabo, Environmental Manager, McCain Food ANZ.

Australia's food waste challenge is too big to tackle alone. Hear from industry leaders about the role of the Australian Food Pact, being a part of a network of industry food waste champions, and how measurement and reporting informs impactful action.

# 1:45PM Food Waste Challenges of tomorrow and what you need to consider today

Mark Barthel, Chief Strategy Officer, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Edwina Beveridge, Owner, Blantyre Farms Kaitlin Dawson, Executive Director, NZ Champions 12.3 Jolanda Dings, Director Sustainability External Relations, Lamb Weston EMEA

How can we get better prepared for increased policy and reporting requirements and regulation around food waste management? Hear from international and industry speakers about increasing environmental reporting requirements, the need for policy intervention to achieve SDG 12.3, and how this can influence business food waste management.

# 2:30PM Sustainability impact: Food waste reduction across the end-to-end value chain with Argon & Co.

#### Frans Verheij, Parner, Argon & Co

Utilise the Argon & Co methodology to identify and supercharge your sustainability action. Adopting a comprehensive approach to sustainability and by addressing food waste across the end-to-end value chain to achieve more impactful results.

#### 2:45PM Sign in, Sign up: Technology accelerating food waste action

Ass Prof Simon Lockrey, REDUCE Program Leader, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Tim Brown, CEO, Gander Katy Barfield, CEO, Yume Dr Ian Oppermann, Data, AI and Digital Economy consultant

Technology and digital innovations offer the possibility to supercharge food waste reduction efforts. Hear from digital innovators harnessing tech to help Australia reduce food waste.

#### 3:30PM Afternoon Break

#### 4:00PM Innovators' solutions to food waste challenges

Emma Coath, Executive Chair, RocketSeeder (facilitator)

Hear from finalists for RocketSeeder's Australian Food Waste Challenge. This challenge has surfaced some of the next big innovations in the fight against food waste.

#### 4:45PM Networking reception and Inaugural Food Waste Action Awards

Drinks reception including presentation of the Inaugural Food Waste Action Awards, Foodbank Award, including poster presentations from End Food Waste CRC Future Leaders Program Poster Presentations.

#### 7:00PM Day 1 Concludes

#### 9:00AM Welcome

Costa Georgiadis (Master of Ceremonies), Host, ABC Gardening Australia Hon. Minister Ed Husic MP (Virtual), Minister for Industry and Science

# **9:15AM** Private sector's role in food waste reduction and impact on triple bottom line with Tetra Pak.

Boris Munster, Managing Director, Tetra Pak Oceania

#### 9:45AM Reimagined: Food waste free cities of the future.

How to tackle household food waste in our ever-growing cities, including tackling multi-unit dwellings. Hear from local councils, state bodies and industry on impactful solutions to fight food waste in Australian cities.

#### 10:30AM Morning Tea

### 11:00AM Saving Australia's fruit and vegetables - opportunities from farm to fork.

Melissa Smith, Horticulture Lead, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Phoebe Dowling, Head of Global Food Sustainability, Simplot Australia Lisa K. Johnson, US on-farm food loss expert and consultant

Some of the biggest changes to reducing fresh produce waste are coming and will have economic, social and environmental benefits and opportunities across the supply chain. Hear insights from the Horticulture Sector Action Plan, a first-of-its-kind plan with nine priority areas to tackle fresh produce waste from farm to fork.

#### 11:45AM Keynote: Together to Zero: food waste action with Coles Group

#### 12:05PM Financing food waste and sustainability action with Commonwealth Bank

Carmel Onions, Executive Manager Agribusiness ESG, Strategy & Carbon, Commonwealth Bank.

#### 12:20PM Networking Lunch

# **1:30PM** Engaging consumers: behaviours that stick and changes with impact.

Mandy Hall, Campaign Director, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator) Angela Baker, Associate Partner, Where To Research Dr Mark Boulet, Director, Environmental Portfolio, BehaviourWorks Australia Renee Prime, Campaign Lead Social Impact, Sustainability Victoria Toine Timmermans, Director, Samen Tegen Voedselverspilling (Food Waste Free United), Netherlands.

Consumer messaging is a crowded space, what are the messages that cut through, the behaviours that help create long term, sustained change, and the changes we can make in our homes that will really help hit the target of halving food waste by 2030? Hear from experts in this space about solutions that work.

# 2:15PM Food waste proof your products: unlock the possibilities of the packaging and consumer touch points.

Nerida Kelton, Executive Director, Australian Institute of Packaging (AIP) (facilitator)

Michael Dossor, General Manager, Results Group

Dr Lukas Parker, Associate Professor - School of Media and Communication, RMIT

Sophie Sumner, Marketing Communications Manager, SealedAir

Innovative design, creative approaches to information sharing, utilisation of new technologies and getting to know consumer behaviours are critical ingredients to cooking up packaging and consumer touch points that can help reduce food waste. Join for a masterclass in fresh ideas to save food and prevent waste.

#### 3:00PM Summit wrap-up

Dr Steven Lapidge, CEO, End Food Waste Australia



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